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SUBJECT: CSCE -COMMERCIAL EXCHANGES

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1. SEVERAL DELEGATIONS HAVE QUERIED US WHETHER USSR DECISION NOT TO PUT US-USSR TRADE AGREEMENT INTO EFFECT WOULD AFFECT OUR POSITION ON HOW TO DEAL WITH MFN AND RECIPROCITY ISSUES IN CSCE. WE HAVE BEEN RESPONDING THAT WE DID NOT EXPECT THAT IT WOULD, PARTICULARLY SINCE WE CONSIDERED CSCE TEXTS IN ECONOMIC FIELD SHOULD DEAL WITH BROAD PRINCIPLES OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY RATHER THAN SPECIFIC DETAILS OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP. EC REP (KAWAN), WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANYING WELLENSTEIN TO MOSCOW NEXT WEEK, ALSO ASKED (WITH CONCERN) WHETHER WE MIGHT NOW BE PREPARED NEGOTIATE EXTENSION OF MFN TO USSR IN CSCE, TO WHICH WE RESPONDED NEG-

ATIVELY.

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2. EC COMMISSION AND IRISH REPS HAVE ALSO EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE THAT WE COULD SUPPORT THEIR NEW TEXTS ON MFN AND RECIPROCITY (REFTEL A). THEY BELIEVE EES WILL GO ALONG IF CONTRAONTED WITH UNIFIED WESTERN POSITION. WE STATED THAT WE AGREED WITH IMPORTANCE OF UNIFIED WESTERN POSITION, BUT HAD NOT YET RECEIVED WASHINGTON REACTION TO SPECIFIC NEW EC TEXT. WE SAID OUR REACTION HERE WAS THAT PARAGRAPH ON MFM WAS IMPROVEMENT OVER EARLIER VERSION BECAUSE OF REFERENCE TO BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS, AND THAT WE WOULD RECOMMEND TO WASHINGTON THAT WE SUPPORT IT. CONCERNING PARAGRAPH ON RECIPROCITY, WE SAID WE FELT DRAFTING COULD BE CLEARER BUT THAT WE SAW NO SUBSTATIVE PROBLEMS WITH IT, AND THAT WE WOULD RECOMMEND TO WASHINGTON THAT U.S. INDICATE WILLINGNESS TO GO ALONG WITH IT IF IT PROVIDED BASIS FOR AGREEMENT. NOTE: TERM "EQUAL WEIGHT" MIGHT BE BETTER TRANSLATED AS "EQUAL SCOPE". WORD IN FRENCH ORIGINAL IS PORTEE". IF WASHINGTON SEES PROBLEM WITH EC TEXT, PLEASE INFORM US PROMPTLY.

3. IT NOW APPEARS LIKELY THAT SAFEGUARDS TEXT WILL SOON BE AGAIN DISCUSSED. REQUEST REPLY TO GENEVA 7458.DALE

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